# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

## **FISCAL NOTE**



HB 393 - SB 780

March 1, 2017

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Broadens the offense of theft to include new home contractors.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

## Assumptions:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 39-14-154 prohibits a home improvement services provider from failing to refund an amount paid for such services within 10 days of a written request for a refund.
- The proposed legislation broadens this offense to include new home contractors for new home construction services.
- Statistics from the Department of Correction (DOC) show no admissions over the last 10 years for violations of Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-14-154. It is assumed that broadening the offense to include new home contractors will not significantly impact state incarceration costs.
- It is assumed that any impact to the caseloads of the courts, public defenders, and district attorneys can be accommodated within their existing resources.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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